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## News Release

### IAEM-USA Announces the 2021 Clayton R. Christopher Memorial Local Emergency Manager of the Year Award

**Oct. 25, 2021 (Falls Church, Va.)** – The IAEM-USA Awards & Recognition Committee of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) is pleased to announce the winner of the IAEM-USA 2021 Clayton R. Christopher Memorial Local Emergency Manager Award. The award was presented at the President’s Banquet and Awards Ceremony at the IAEM 69th Annual Conference & EMEX, in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The winner of the 2021 Clayton R. Christopher Memorial Local Emergency Manager Award is Allison Moore, CEM.

Her nomination stated that Allison’s greatest strength is her dedication to organizational improvement through stakeholder engagement. She consistently demonstrates an ability to bring people together and conveyed the importance of having plans and contracts in place.

Community preparedness also is a top priority of Allison’s. She successfully evaluated and revised the current practices and software application of the tornado sirens in the county, which houses 47 sirens with each needing updated. Additionally, she trained the administrators herself so she could keep her community of more than 150,000 safe.

During COVID-19, Allison took it upon herself to ensure inclusion of the whole community. She worked diligently to establish safe sheltering for the homeless population involving many partners under the notion “one mission, many partners.” She was able to find numerous sites and provided the supplies and needed equipment. Allison’s hard work and perseverance always lead to a better Monroe County for all to live, work, and play.

The **Clayton R. Christopher Memorial Award** is presented annually to a local emergency manager in honor of Mr. Christopher for his unselfish dedication. His principles of integrity and leadership have served as a guiding force to the institution of emergency management and formed a strong foundation for its future.

*IAEM-USA, the nation’s largest emergency management professional association, is a non-profit professional organization representing more than 5,000 emergency management and homeland security professionals for local communities, state and federal disaster officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations, and others involved in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all types of disasters including acts of terrorism. IAEM provides access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more.*

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